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To: Ruth Tringham

Alan McPherron

I have received your letter about the symposium on stone tools. I am sorry to have to tell you that I definitely will not participate. There are several reasons for my decision:

- 1°, the place is wrong. Such a symposium should be held in a place where there is: A)Good collections of prehistoric tools ,and laboratory facilities.
- B)Plenty of flint or other suitable rock for experiment in tool manufacture and use
 Yugoslavia does not seem to fit either of these conditions.
 - 2°, It is not easy to get there.
- 3°, The time is wrong. This symposium seems to be planned in relation with the 8th international congress of pre- and protohistoric sciences. This means that there will be too many people around.

Also, at that time; most of us who could be interested will be excavating.

So

Sincerely yours,

F. Bordes

